

Arkansas Health Information Technology (HIT) Executive Committee Meeting
Dr. Joseph Thompson, Surgeon General
Wednesday, April 07, 2010
Gilbreath Conference Center, Conference Rooms 10 and 12
Baptist Health
9601 Interstate 630, Exit 7
Little Rock, AR 72205
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Chairman: Joseph W. Thompson, MD, MPH
Surgeon General, State of Arkansas

Taskforce Members

Kimberly Allen	Katie Anderson	Tina Benton	Sandra Brown
Elizabeth Burak	Tom Chilton	Pam Christie	Herschel Cleveland
Paul Cunningham	Joan Diehl	Ed Franklin	Jonathan Fuchs
M. Dwain Gordon	Kevin Gorman	Debbie Green	Caryol Hendricks
John Herzog	Steven Hoyt	Tim Johnsen	Mary Leath
Jason Lee	Treg Long	Michael Manley	Kelly McLelland
Barbara Norman	James Penrod	Blake Perry	John Robbins
Scott Shellabarger	Brett Tracy	Melinda Wilkins	James Winningham
Greg Wolverton	Keith Vire		

Executive Committee Members

John Ahlen	Jerry Bradshaw	Frank Scott
Claire Bailey	Paul Halverson	Randy Zook
Jean Block	John Selig	

ACHI Staff Present

Jimmy Cotton	Lindsey Clark	Dewey Freeman	Alison Nicholas
Jennifer Pagan	Amy Rossi	Ray Scott	Shirley Tyson
Hannah Vogler	Karen Wooten-Wood Cox		

Meeting Notes

- Meeting was called to order by Dr. Thompson at approximately 10:00AM.
- Announcement: John Robbins will serve as the Interim CEO for AFMC.
- Announcement: Appointment of Ray Scott as State HIT Coordinator.
 - Mr. Scott provided comments.
- Announcement: Legislature approved \$600,000 as match funds to draw down Federal funds. In order to draw down these funds, the state's strategic and operational plan must be approved by ONC.

- Shirley Tyson presented the Business and Technical Operations (BTO) workgroup draft section of the strategic plan and summarized their corresponding slides.
 - Ms. Tyson summarized the BTO proposal slides and provided background information (co-chairs not available).
 - After explaining the BTO section of the strategic plan, Ms. Tyson reviewed the recommendations offered by the HIT Executive Committee.
 - Include the Providers in the pilot or Proof of Concept phase
 - Reduce the specificity of resources and collaboration with Medicaid
 - Provide more generalizations in the public health meaningful use criteria
 - Add data standardization and normalization to the resources and staffing responsibilities
 - Add data quality and integrity functions to the resources and staffing responsibilities
 - A revised draft will be submitted to the HIT Executive Committee on Friday, April 16, 2010.
 - No questions were received during the question and answer period.
- John Ahlen presented the HIT Taskforce with the Technical Infrastructure's (TI) draft section of the strategic plan and summarized their corresponding slides.
 - Dr. Ahlen explained that his workgroup presented their draft to the HIT Executive Committee on March 26th and that it was approved by the Executive Committee with the understanding that they revise the architecture graphic.
 - No questions were received during the question and answer period, although Dr. Thompson added comments about the architecture graphic.
- Keith Vire presented the Governance workgroup's draft section of the strategic plan and summarized their corresponding slides.
 - Dr. Vire explained that his workgroup presented their draft to the HIT Executive Committee on March 26th and that it was approved with the understanding that the Governance workgroup provide minor clarifications.
 - No questions were received during the question and answer period.
 - Dr. Thompson and Paul Halverson offered comments about the size and composition of the board, and that the Executive Order will be forthcoming from the Governor's Office.

- Jason Lee presented the Finance workgroup's draft section of the strategic plan and summarized their corresponding slides.
 - No questions were raised during the question and answer period.
- Dr. Thompson also acknowledged the efforts of the HIT Task Force, workgroup members, and project team.
- Dr. Thompson offered additional comments regarding the progression of effort.
- Limited additional questions were raised during the question and answer period addressed by Joe.
- Jonathan Fuchs presented updates on the progress of the Regional Extension Centers (REC).
 - Mr. Fuchs explained revisions to the REC mission statement as recommended by the Office of the National Coordinator (ONC).
 - Mr. Fuchs also addressed the service map identifying primary care physicians in the state.
 - Additionally, he discussed slides regarding:
 - Operational oversight of the organization. (Not in handouts)
 - Services offered
 - Staff organizational chart
 - Stakeholder list
 - Sample ad and pages from their new website
 - There was a brief discussion of the timeline for next steps.
 - Mr. Fuchs responded to questions raised during the question and answer period.
- Dr. Thompson offered closing comments and thanked all those who have served on the various workgroups.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:40AM.